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AVERAGE  
NUMBER OF  
CALLS THAT  
THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT  
RESPONDS TO  
PER YEAR.

2004 OPERATING  
REVENUE SOURCES

THE CITY’S MAJOR FUNDS FALL INTO the categories of General, Enterprise, Debt Service, Capital Funding Projects, Internal Services and Special Revenue. These funds demonstrate how quality City services provide a good value for your tax dollar.

Diversification of revenue provides financial strength

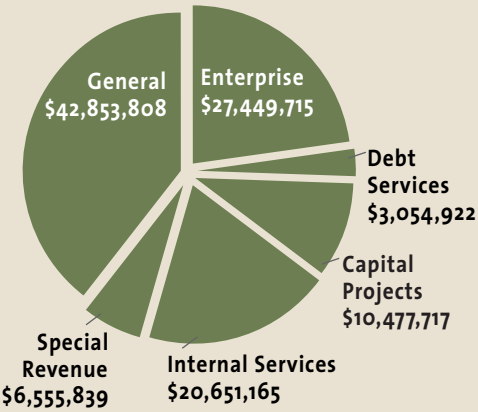
Bloomington’s low property tax rate is maintained by maximizing other funding sources and increasing productivity. By diversifying revenue, the City of Bloomington is in a strong position to withstand economic shifts.

Property taxes	\$32,179,282
Fees/charges	16,375,426
Transfers/other	7,345,769
Program income	5,991,600
Lodging/admissions	5,110,389
Licenses/permits	4,194,203
Intergovernmental	2,840,317
Special assessments	1,200,000
Fines/forfeitures	1,168,342
Interest	917,673
Franchise fee	812,900
Total*	\$78,135,901

\* Does not include Internal Services Funds.

2004 BUDGETED  
EXPENDITURES  
BY FUND

THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON’S budgeted expenditures in 2004 for all funds total \$111,043,166.



THE GENERAL FUND

THE GENERAL FUND, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR A MAJORITY OF CITY SERVICES, IS BLOOMINGTON’S primary operating fund. It uses current revenues to fulfill current expense obligations. This section contains specific information about each department within the General Fund. Expenditures were less than the budget in all 2003 General Fund operations.

	2003 BUDGET	2004 BUDGET	NET PROPERTY TAX*
POLICE	\$14,301,838	\$14,380,349	\$14.20
The Police Department works with the community to make the city a safer place to live and partners with residents and businesses to address their diverse needs.			
PUBLIC WORKS	\$9,140,851	\$9,182,134	\$10.25
Public Works provides safe and efficient transportation routes throughout Bloomington, maintains the City’s streets, parks, vehicles and public facilities, and reviews the impact construction and development projects will have on local and regional infrastructure.			
FIRE	\$1,909,827	\$1,877,043	\$6.94
The Fire Department protects the community by performing rescues, responding to fires, emergencies and hazardous materials incidents, and teaching fire prevention.			
COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$7,840,586	\$7,665,946	\$6.68
Community Services fosters opportunities for all residents, produces communication materials, provides public health services, and manages parks and recreational activities.			
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$4,673,136	\$4,644,047	\$2.52
Community Development partners with the community to enhance Bloomington through planning, economic development and redevelopment activities. The department promotes safety by obtaining compliance with state and City building, fire and environmental health codes.			
TECHNICAL SERVICES	\$1,848,009	\$1,878,591	\$1.92
Technical Services furnishes licensing, assessment, elections, records management and cemetery services to Bloomington’s residents.			
FINANCE	\$1,367,004	\$1,187,508	\$0.84
Finance provides financial management services and internal support services to other departments.			
COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS, CITY MANAGER	\$941,614	\$915,513	\$0.80
Bloomington is governed by an elected, part-time City Council consisting of a mayor and six councilmembers. Legislative power is vested in the Council, which appoints citizens to advisory commissions, and a City Manager, who is responsible for the administration of City business. The City Manager appoints all other employees and performs duties as directed by the Council.			
HUMAN RESOURCES	\$599,924	\$583,952	\$0.54
Human Resources recruits and assists in hiring staff, oversees employee benefit programs and conducts employee relations activities on behalf of the City’s personnel.			
LEGAL	\$989,798	\$781,587	\$0.30
Legal advises the City Manager, City Council, City departments, and advisory boards and commissions.			

\*Net property tax is the portion of the levy allocated to these services.

CITY MAINTAINS HIGHEST BOND RATINGS

THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON maintains Aaa and AAA bond ratings, the highest ratings awarded respectively by the bond agencies Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s. Standard & Poor’s said the high rating and stable outlook reflect the City’s strong, conservatively managed financial operations and manageable debt burden. Moody’s believes the City will maintain its strong financial position because of its diverse and sizable economic base, favorable debt

position and heavy support from non-levy sources. A municipal bond rating is similar to a corporate or individual credit rating. It is used for long-term financing. The extremely high ratings are measures of the quality of the City. This translates into interest savings because bond buyers are willing to earn the lowest interest as a tradeoff for secure debt. This ensures Bloomington’s interest costs will remain as low as possible.

The City’s excellent bond rating is a message to businesses and individuals that Bloomington is a healthy community. It also sends the signal to current and potential investors that Bloomington’s financial future is strong.



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